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postcards were published for the 1889 Paris Exposition, celebrating the completion of the Eiffel Tower. In America, the first picture postcards were printed for the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago, making Illinois the birthplace of this invention. Since those flowery Victorian originals, uncountable billions of 10 postcards of every aspect of life have been printed, depicting train stations, handstands, street views, cartoons, ads for products and services, social history, both whimsical and dark, and everything in between. Katherine Hamilton-Smith, the founding curator of the Teich Archives, presents a look at the documentary power and significance of picture postcards in this presentation. She touches on the Curt Teich Company of Chicago, the role

Illinois played in the history and development of postcards and on the picture postcard as a cultural icon. This program is made possible through the Illinois Humanities. Illinois Humanities is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities; Democracy Demands Wisdom and the Illinois General Assembly [through the Illinois Arts Council Agency], as well as by contributions from individuals, foundations and corporations.

1 to 3 p.m. 1st Wednesday Fun at the library: School gets out early the first Wednesday of the month, so the Grandville library will have a variety of board games and a light snack available for school-age patrons. Games are resources that may be checked out as well.

10:30 a.m. Tuesdays: Toddler Time. Provides unstructured time for our youngest patrons to explore movement and music. Our Tonie boxes will

provide the music and we'll shake maracas, wave scarves, and blow bubbles together.

11 a.m. Wednesdays: Ready Set Read Wednesday. Explore the library's collection of early readers, phonics materials and letter recognition games. Take home reinforcement sheet provided.

10 a.m. to noon Friday, May 2: Homeschool Meet and Greet.

Our Family Reads: Start a new tradition over the weekend, reading together as a family. Our Family Reads are curated book bundles to read together with family. Picture books, fiction and nonfiction, a book bag and popcorn.

Book Discussion Group: Meets at 1 p.m. second and fourth Monday of every month. No assigned book to read. Group directed. Instead, share insights, opinions and views. Make recommendations.

10 a.m. Saturday, May 10: Flower Pot Planting for mom.

4 p.m. Wednesday, May 21: Coffee Filter Butterflies. Create one-of-a-kind butterflies using coffee filters, markers, and water. All supplies will be provided.

10 a.m. Saturday, May 24: Hand Thumb Print Flag, with book reading.

Putnam, 105 N. Center St.
9 a.m. Saturday, May 3: Books and Brunch. Food, Books and Friends.

Magnolia, 112 N. Chicago St.
9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 10: "I Love my Mom" card craft
3 to 6 p.m. Thursday, May 22: Scrabble tournament.

McNabb, 322 W. Main St.
4 p.m. Wednesday, May 7: Handprint Lily Bouquet Craft. Create a bouquet of lilies using paper and your hands. All supplies will be provided.

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